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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

IN RE: AUTOMOTIVE PARTS                    )  
ANTITRUST LITIGATION,                    )       Master File No.  
BEARINGS                                    )       12-MD-02311  
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STATUS CONFERENCE  
BEFORE THE HONORABLE SEAN F. COX  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
HEARING CONDUCTED VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE  
ALL PARTIES APPEARING REMOTELY  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2021

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(None offered)

1 Thursday, November 18, 2021

2 3:45 p.m.

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4 THE CLERK OF THE COURT: The United States District  
5 Court is in session. The Honorable Sean F. Cox presiding.

6 The court calls case number 12-02311, In Re Automotive  
7 Parts Antitrust Litigation.

8 THE COURT: Now, I know we have quite a number of  
9 attorneys here on behalf of plaintiff and defendants. But it's  
10 my understanding that certain individuals are here  
11 representing, I guess, all the plaintiffs. And who are you?  
12 Can you give us your appearances, please?

13 MR. LANGHAM: Yes, Your Honor. This is Chanler  
14 Langham for the impaired Co-lead End-Payor Purchaser  
15 Plaintiffs.

16 THE COURT: Okay. Good afternoon.

17 MR. SPECTOR: Good afternoon, Your Honor. Eugene  
18 Spector on behalf of the Direct Purchaser Plaintiffs.

19 THE COURT: Anybody else on behalf of plaintiffs?

20 MR. RAITER: Yes, Your Honor. This is Shawn Raiter on  
21 behalf of the auto dealers.

22 THE COURT: All right.

23 MR. SHOTZBARGER: Good afternoon, William Shotzbarger  
24 on behalf of the truck and equipment dealer plaintiffs.

25 THE COURT: Okay.

1 MR. PANNER: Your Honor, this is Aaron Panner on  
2 behalf of FRS that represents a number of absent class members.

3 THE COURT: All right. I guess that covers the  
4 individuals representing the plaintiff parties. What about the  
5 defense, defendants?

6 (No response.)

7 THE COURT: Anybody?

8 (No response.)

9 THE COURT: So Mr. Fink, what attorneys are going to  
10 speak on behalf of the defendants here?

11 MR. DAVID FINK: Your Honor, I don't know. I think  
12 we'd ask Mr. Iwrey to volunteer that answer.

13 MR. IWREY: I am unaware. Usually, it's Steve Cherry.  
14 I don't think the defendants have much additional to discuss  
15 with the Court at this conference.

16 THE COURT: Okay. Very good. Of course, this Court  
17 called this status conference. Thank you everyone for joining  
18 us here this afternoon and thank you very much for the  
19 excellent status report on active cases that was prepared for  
20 me. I really appreciate it. It was very thorough. Very easy  
21 to follow.

22 So I wanted to bring everyone here together and let  
23 you know that -- as you do know, this litigation has been going  
24 on for ten years. It is going to end and I am not going to be  
25 accepting anymore cases. All right? So everyone's got notice.

1 I'm not accepting anymore cases. I'm just going to finish up  
2 what we have.

3 All right. So everyone's been notified.

4 All right. Have a good afternoon.

5 (At 3:48 p.m., matter concluded.)

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I, Darlene K. May, Official Court Reporter for the United States District Court, Eastern District of Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript, to the best of my ability, from the record of proceedings in the above-entitled matter. I further certify that the transcript fees and format comply with those prescribed by the Court and the Judicial Conference of the United States.

November 24, 2021  
Date

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